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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

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No. 1, Queen's Road East. Hongkong, August 16, 1877. CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA.

AUSTRALIA & CHINA... CAPITAL,....£800,000.

RESERVE FUND, .....£110,000.

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THE BANK'S BRANCH in HONG KONG grants Drafts on London and the Chief Commercial places in Europe and the East; buys and receives for collection Bills of Exchange; and conducts all kinds of Banking and Exchange Business. Local Bills discounted, and Interest allowed on Current Accounts and on Deposits for fixed periods on terms which may

### Intimations.

be ascertained on application.

DENTAL NOTICE

T.R. STOUT has RETURNED, and will be ready to receive Patients on MONDAY, the 24th Instant, until further notice, at his Rooms, Ground Floor, Hotel Det Univers. Office hours, 8 to 12 Noon and 2 to 4 pane Hongkong, September 22, 1877.

DENTAL NOTICE.

R. ROGERS begs to inform tends to visit AMOY and FOOCHOW in September and October, leaving HONG. admitted. KONG about the 15th of September. Hongkong, August 6, 1877.

### NOTICE,

Estate of BERTHAM ATHERTON MITTOND, of Foochow, Deceased.

immediate Payment to the Undersigned, be sent in on or before the Sist March, and those Persons having Claims against it 1878, to the Secretary of the Honekone must send in Particulars, accompanied by HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED; who will supply are stamped on the top of the can. the proper vouchers, before the 20th of any information required. October next.....

CHAS. A. SINCLAIR. H.B.M. Consul, Foochow.

H.M. Consulate,

Intimations.

G. FALCONER & Co., WATCH AND CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS,

JEWELLERS. NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS AND BOOKS. 46, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, August 20, 1877. NOTICE.

A MILLAR & Co., PLUMBERS, AND GAS FITTERS

Queen's Road East,

HONGKONG. September 15, 1877.

IN THE GOODS OF JAMES SMITH FERRIES

TOTICE is hereby given that all Creditors and other Persons, having an CLAIMS or DEMANDS upon or agains the Estate of JAMES SMITH FERRIES late Master of the S. S. "ZEALANDIA who died at Sea on Board the said Vessel, on the 8th day of February 1877, and whose Will was duly proved, and Letters of Administration, with the Will annexed, of whose personal Estate were duly granted to JOHN FAIRBAIRN, of No. 27 Queen's Road, in the Colony of Hongkong, by the Supreme Court of Bongkong, in its Probate Jurisdiction, on the 22nd day of September 1877, are hereby required to send in writing the particulars of their Claims or Demands to the said John FAIRBARN at his address aforesaid, or to the Undersigned WILLIAM HENRY BRERETON, the Solicitor of the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN, at the Office of the said WILLIAM HENRY. BEERETON, 29 Queen's Road, Hongkong,

on or before the 15th day of January, 1878. And notice is hereby given that at the expiration of the last-mentioned day, the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN will proceed to distribute the Assets of the said James FERRIES amongst the parties thereto, having regard to the Claims of which the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN has then had notice; and that the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN will not be liable for the Assets or any part thereof, so distributed, to any person of whose Claim the said JOHN PAIRBAIDS has not had notice at the

time of the distribution. Dated this 3rd day of October, 1877. -WM. H. BRERETON, Solicitor for the said JOHN FAIRBAIRN.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE

COMPANY, LIMITED. ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR

CHAREHOLDERS in the above Com-Net Profits to be reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st October next will be adjusted by the Company, and no blaims or alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Secretary.

Hongkong, August 1, 1877.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE.

NTOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary General MEETING of SHARE HOLDERS in the above Office, will be Held at the Office of the Undersigned, No. 7, Queen's Road, on TUESDAY, the 9th Instant, at 3 p.m.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents, CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE.

Hongkong, October 2, 1877.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR

CHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Undersigned with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December last, in order that the distribution of Twenty per cent (20 %) of the Nott Profits reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 81st October next, Patrons and the Public that he in- will be adjusted by the Company, and no claims or alterations will be subsequently

JARDINE, MATRIESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, August 1, 1877.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL THENDERS are invited for a LEASE of the HONGKONG HOTEL, the pre-LL PERSONS INDEBTED to the sent Five yearly Lease exciring on the Blat

> By Order of the Directors. LOUIS HAUSCHILD. Secretary.

intimations.

CONDENSED EGGS.

THIS NEW ARTICLE, recently placed upon the Market, consists simply of fresh-laid HENS' EGGS, from which most of the water has been evaporated, and being hermetically sealed, remains perfectly sound. The EGGS thus condensed are obtained in the Empire of China, and canned in the immediate vicinity in which they are produced, thereby avoiding the deterioration to which EGGS are subjected when transported in the shell. So that, in point of fact, the CONDENSED EGGS preserved under the patent of A. R. Davis, furnish to the consumer, EGGS possessing more perfectly the properties of fresh-laid EGGS than those ordinarily supplied to any city.

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transportation. One Table-spoonful is equal to one Egg. Add-equal amount of water (warm is preferable); dissolve it well; then use same as

LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co., Agents for Hongkong.

MUSTARD & Co., General Agents at Shanghai.

NOTICE.

ENDERS for REPAIRS of the German Bark MELUSINE will be Received at the Office of the Undersigned till 4 p.m., MONDAY, the 8th Instant. Separate Tenders are requested for

1-Anchors and Chain, &c. 2-Docking for Examination. For Particulars of the Work apply to the Master on Board, who does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any Tender, MELCHERS & Co.,

Agents.

Hongkong, October 5, 1877.

NOTICE.

TR. A. HAHN begs leave to inform his numerous Patrons and the Public pany are requested to furnish the generally of Hongkong, that, by special Undersigned with a List of their Contribu- request, he has now OPENED his ESTABtions for the year ending 31st December LISHMENT in this Colony at WANCHAI, last, in order that the proportion of the in the Premises lately occupied by the American Consul.

MR HAHN trusts to be favored with the continued Patronage of the public, as he has lately received a NEW STOCK of RE-PAIRING MATERIALS, all of the best qualities, from England, France and Ger many. Inspection invited.

Hongkong, September 7, 1877. DIANOS and any other Musical Instruments TUNED, REPAIRED,

and RE-CONSTRUCTED. PIANOS ON HIRE, by the Month or Occasionally. PIANOS FOR SALE, New and Second-

Hand, all in perfectly Good Order, Guaranteed.

Special Attention is invited to a new Grand Cottage PIANO, by Lidens and RUBNER, Zeitz-Just Received from Germany, and specially constructed for this climate to the order of the Undersigned. Orders from any of the Outports in the

East, will meet with prompt attention if addressed : Care of Mesers Lane, Chawford & Co., Mesara GAUPP & Co.

A. HAHN. Hongkong, September 7, 1877.

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TESTRING to benefit by the worldwide reputation of our Oil, certain nol parties have attempted to imitate our packages. Suits at law have been instituted against the MAKERS AND PURCHASERS Of these imitations. Buyers should be careful to see that the words "DEVOE'S ERIL-A above Estate are requested to make August, 1878. SEALED TENDERS to LIANT" are stencilled on the cases, and the words "DEVOE M'FG CO. PATENTS

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Fresh supplies of CROSSE & BLACKWELL'S OILMANS' STORES, and American Family MESS STORES,-As per their JULY PRICE LIST. -

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LIVERY and SUCTION HOSE. Cabin Suspension LAMPS. Cabin CANDLESTICKS. FENDERS and FIRE IRONS. Japanned TOILET SETS. CARRIAGE LAMPS, and CARRIAGE CANDLES.

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Hongkong, September 15, 1877.

FOR SALE. FRLIN TIVOLI BEER, in Cases of 4 Doz. Quarta,

WIELER & Co. Hongkong, August 20, 1877.

FOR SALE.

HAMPAGNE HEIDSIECE &. Co.'s MONOPOLE. DEETJEN & Co.

Hongkong, October 2, 1877.

To Let.

TO LET. NTOS, 4, and 5, PECHILI TERRACE, ELGIN STREET.

Apply to LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. Hongkong, July 30, 1877.

NOFFICE TO LET. Apply to LANDSTEIN & Co. Hongkong, September 15, 1877.

TO LET. TIOP FLOOR of the House now occupied by Mr A. HAHN, at Wanchal. Appl on the Premises. Hongkong, September 11, 1877.

TO LET. THE DWELLING HOUSE in CAIR Roan, at present in the occupation of H. DU POURY, Esq. Possession from 1st November next.

Apply to JOHN JACK, Bast Point Hongkong, Beptember 7, 1877.

TO LET. THE Dwelling House and Offices No. 1. D'Aguillar Street, lately in the occupation of Mouses Douglas Layrant & Co. The Dwelling House No. 10, Gough

Apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, July 9, 1877.

TO LET.

HOUSE No. 10, Albany Road, lately compled by the Rev. R. H. Kind. "Blance Villa," Pok-foo-luin, Furnished. Houses Nos. 8 and 9, Peddar's Hill. DAVID BASSOON, SOME & Do. Honghoug, July 21, 1877

Entertainment.

THEATRE ROYAL, CITY HALL, HONGKONG.

POSITIVELY FOUR NIGHTS ONLY

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THURSDAY, October 11th, 1877.

THE FAMOUS ROYAL I ILLUSIONISTS. From England's Home of Mystery, the EGYPTIAN HALL, LONDON; where their unparallelled Entertainments were presented nightly to crowded audiences for over two

LING LOOK,

In their unique and STARTLIN WONDERS.

Their profoundly MYSTERIOUS SEANCES have been given in the presence of the Crowned heads and Nobility. of EUROPE and before Vast and Intelligent Assemblages throughout the civilized world, astoniahing and confounding the wisest of all Countries.

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AN HOUR IN DREAMLAND WITH KELLAR."

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LING LOOK.

Entitled

"THE MAN SERPENT." Intermission of Ten Minutes.

PART IV. "LA CENA INFERNALE," by the inimitable LING LOOK.

ADMISSION : ....

To all Parts of the House. Seats can now be secured at Messra

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co., where Plan of the Hall can be seen. Doors Open at 8.30, Commence at 9 o'clock sharp.

Hongkong, October 4, 1877. shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW. The Steamship Captain G. D. PITMAN, Will "DOUGLAS, be despatched for the above Ports on SUNDAY, the 7th Instant, at

Daylight. For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.

Hongkong, October 3, 1877.

FOR MANILA. The Steamship "ESMERALDA," Capt. THEBAUD, will be despatched for the above Port on SUNDAY, the 7th Instant, at 10 a.m. For Freight or Passage, apply to

A. MAGG. HEATON, Agent. Hongkong, October 4, 1877. FOR SINGAPORE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Calling of the usual Coast Ports to land Mails and Passengers.) The Eastern and Atlatralian Mail Steam Co.'s Steamer "BRISBANE" will be despatched as above

on MONDAY, the 8th October, at 4 p.m.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Hongkong, September 29, 1877. FOR COOKTOWN AND SYDNEY. (Taking Cargo at through rates for all

Australian and New Zealand Ports ) The Steamship will, load as above; and be despatched on or about the 1st of November.

For Freight or Paulage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agentis.

Hongkong, October 4, 1877.

shipping.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 British Bark J. NICOLL, Master, will load here for the above Port, and

will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, August 16, 1877. FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 British Barque

"GRASMERE," PHASTINGS, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, August 16, 1877.

FOR LONDON. The \* A 1 100 years splendid British Clipper Ship - "SYDENHAM," MILLAR, Commander, will have quick despatch for the above Port.

VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co... Agents.

For Freight, apply to

Hongkong, September 27, 1877. FOR LONDON. The A 1 British Barque "GEO. OROSHAW, GEO. IRVING, Master, will have

early despatch as above.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, July 28, 1877. FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The 3/8 L. I. German Ship "GALATEA," JAEGER, Master, will load here

for the above Port, and will

have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, September 10, 1877. FOR SAN FRANCISCO. The A 1 British Ship "JUBILEE," HARRIS, Master, will load

will have immediate despatch. For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co. Hongkong, September 1, 1877.

here for the above Port, and

FOR HAMBURG. The A 1 British Bark "LORD MACAULAY," Capt. MONEMAN, will load for

the above Port, and will have quick despatch. For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, July 20, 1877. FOR NEW YORK.

A. SLEEPER, Master, will load the above Port, and have early despatch. For Freight, apply to

The A 1 American Ship

Hongkong, September 26, 1877. FOR LONDON. The 100 A 1 British Barque "WOODVILLE,"

RUSSELL & Co.

T. E. Nelson, Master, will load here and have quick For Freight, apply to MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, September 26, 1877.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr This Day. F. BLACKHEAD & Co. Hongkong, October 1, 1877.

NOTICE. TAR CHARLES DAVID BOTTOMLEY

Firm on the 1st July, 1877. DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co. Hongkong, September 22, 1877.

NOTICE.

TITE have been appointed AGENTS for

the GERMANIO LLOYD, GERMAN AND INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR THE CLAS-SINICATION OF SHIPS.

MELCHERS & Co.

Hongkong, September 11, 1877.

NOTICE. TAROM This Date Mr EDWARD SHEPPARD and Mr M. W. GREIG, are authorised to Sign the name of our Firm per Procuration at Foochow, and Mr F. F. ELWELL at Amoy.

RUSSELL & Co.

Oblna, June 1, 1877.

#### Notices to Consignees.

FROM LONDON AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Glenearn having arrived, L Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk and stored in the Godowns of the Undersigned, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained. Optional Cargo will be forwarded to Yokohama, unless notice to the contrary is given before 1 p.m To-day. Cargo remaining undelivered after the

7th Instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Hongkong, October 1, 1877.

FROM HAMBURG, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE S. S. Egeria, PAULSEN, Master, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk by the Undersigned and stored in their Godowns, whence and/or from the Wharf or Boats delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo, will be sent on to Shanghai, unless notice to the contrary is given before 3 p.m. To-day. Cargo remaining undelivered after the 7th Instant will be subject to rent. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by SIEMSSEN & Co., Hongkong, October 1, 1877.

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES,

8. 8. A V A.

NOTICE CONSIGNEES of Cargo Euphrate, from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remaining unclaimed after SATUR DAY, the 6th Instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. H. DU POUEY

Hongkong, October 1, 1877.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS. MAILS BY THE TORRES STRAITS PACKET.

The Australian Contract Packet BRIS BANE, will be despatched from Hongkong on MONDAY, the 8th October, with Mails for Singapore Someraet, Cooktown, Cleveland Bay Bowen, Keppel Bay, Brisbane, Sydney Tasmania, New Zealand, and Mol bourne.

Correspondence cannot be Registered after

The Malis will be closed at 3.30 p.m. Correspondence for New Zealand must be specially directed via Torres Straits, or

it will be sent via Galle. Correspondence for Southern Australia can be sent by this route if desired, but as a general rule it is better to send

Late Letters for Singapore only will be received on Board up to 4 p.m., on payment of the usual late fee. Late Let-

ters for Australia must be addressed to the care of an Agent at Singapore. Hongkong, October 4, 1877.

MAILS BY THE ENGLISH PACKET. The English Contract Packet KHIVA will be despatched with the Malls for Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the

The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, do. :--

Wednesday, the 10th October. -5 P.M., Money Order Office closes. 6 P.M., Post Office closes except the Night Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, the 11th October .-7 A.M., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and

Posting of all correspondence. 10 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters ceases. [10.15 A.M., Letters may be posted with LATE FEE of 18 cents extra

Postage till 11 A.M., when the Post Office Crosss antirely.

[11.80 A.M., Letters (but Letters only addressed to the United Kingdom Via Brindisi, or to Singapore, may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 48 cents extra pestage,

11.50 A.M., when the Mail is finally Hongkong, September 24, 1877.

NOTICE.

THE CHINESE MAIL."

TAROM and after the Chinese New Year's day (February 17, 1874) the Chinese Mail will be issued DAILY instead of Total WEEKLY as heretofore. No change, however, will be made in the price of subscription, which will remain at \$4 per augum.

The charges for advertisements are now assimilated to those of the China Mail. The unusual success which has attended the Chinese Mail makes it an admirable | LEE Sing, of Lai Hing Firm, Merchant, medium for advertisors.

The Conductors guarantes an eventual stroulation of one thousand copies. It is already the most influential native journal. published, and enjoys considerable prestige at the Ports of China and Japan, and at Singapore, Penang, Calcutta, San Francis-

For terms, &c., address Me CHUN AYIN,

Manager, Uhina Mail Office, 17th Pubpyser, 1874.

Maile.



STEAM FOR Singapore, Penang, Point de Galle. Aden, Suez, Malta, Brindisi, Venice, Mediterranean Ancona, Ports. Southampton,

and London, via Bombay. Bombay, Madras, and Calcutta.

THE PRINSULAR AND OBJECTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steam-ship KHIVA, Captain Lee, will leave

this on THURSDAY, the 11th October,

at Noon.

TEA and GENERAL CARGO for LONDON will be conveyed vid Bombay without transhipment, arriving one week later than by the direct route. Silk and valuables will be transferred to the Calcutta | bour, at the natial Terms and Conditions. Steamer at Galle.

For further Particulars, apply to A. LIND, Superintendent, Hongkong, September 24, 1677.

> U. S. MAIL LINE. PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, YLA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUGHING AT YOROHAMA, AND SAR FRANCISCO.

U. S. Mail Steamer CITY OF PEKING will be despatched for San Francisco, via Yokohama, on WEDNES DAY, the 24th Instant, 1877, at 12 o'Clock Noon, taking Passengers, and Freight, for Japan, the United States, and Europe. Through Passenger Tickets and Bills of Lading are issued for transportation to

Tokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to posts in Mexico, Central and South America, and to New York and Europe VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS. A Steamer of the Mitsu Bishi B. S. Com pany will leave Shanghai, via the InlandSea

Ports, about same date, and make close connection at Yokohama. At New York, Passengers have selection of various lines of Steamers to England, France and Germany.

Freight will be received on board until to Reserve Fund. 4 p.m., 23rd Instant, Parcel Packages will be received at the office until 5 p.m. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full : value of same

Consular Invoices to accompany Overland Cargo should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco. For security's sake, Shippers of Overland

Cargo are requested to endorse on the Envelope the Marks and Nos. of Packages Shipped, to correspond with those in their Bills of Lading. For further information as to Passage

and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 9, Praya Central. RUSSELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, October 4, 1877.

#### Occidental & Oriental Steam-Ship Company.

TAKING THROUGH CARGO AND PASSENGERS FOR THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE. ERT BEIN ROITORRED THE

CENTRAL UNION PACIFIC AND CONNECTING RAILROAD COMPANIES

ATLANTIC STEAMERS.

THE S. S. "OCEANIC" will be despatched for San Francisco via Yokohama, on THURSDAY, the 8th November, at 3 p.m., taking Cargo and Passengers for Japan, the United States and Europe.

Connection is made at Yokohama, with Steamers from Shanghal. Freight will be received on Board until 4 p.m. of the 7th November. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 p.m. same day: all Parcel Packages

should be marked to address in full; value of same is required. Return Passage Tickets available for 6 months are issued at a reduction of 20 per cent, on regular rates. For further information as to Freight

or Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 37, Queen's Road Central. G. B. EMORY, Agent,

Hongkong, October 8, 1877.

insurances.

SHEONG ON FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

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OLICIES against FIRE granted on Buildings and on Goods stored therein at OURRENT RATES, subject to DISCOUNT of 20 % on the Premia.

OFFICE, 48, Bonham Strand.

Hongkong, August 29, 1877.

Insurances.

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HEAD OFFICE HONGKONG. GENCIES at all the Treaty Ports of

A China and Japan, and at Singapore, Saigon and Penang. Risks accepted, and Policies of Insurance

granted at the rates of Premium current at the above mentioned Porta. NO CHARGE FOR POLICY PERS.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Beerstary

Hongkong, November 1, 1871.

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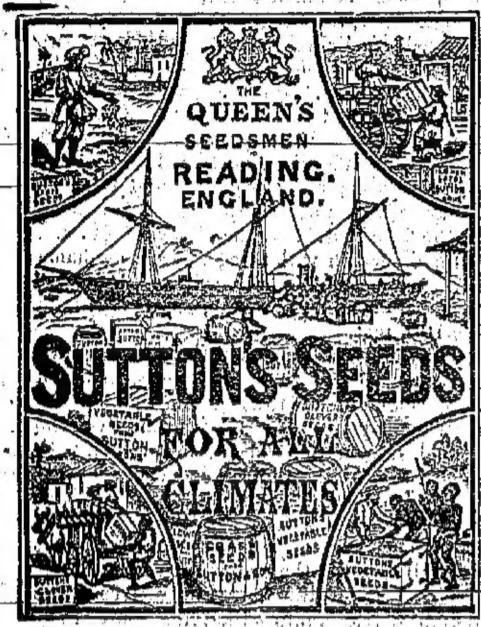
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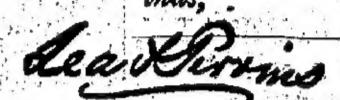
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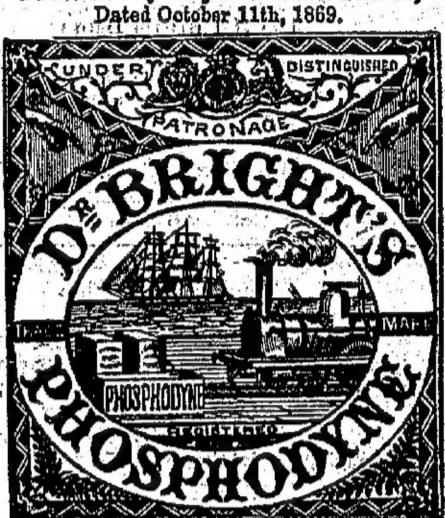
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General Memoranda.

9 p.m.—Performance at the City Hall.

Noon. -General Weekly Sale by Messis

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Ocean leaves for Cooktown, &c., on or

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On the 27th Aug., at Linden House,

On the 21st Aug., at Havre, the Wife of

DEATHS.

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On the 13th Aug, at sea, on board the

P. & O. s.s. Cathay, on his passage home

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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, OCT. 6, 1877.

"PROPHECY and the Eastern Question.

being an Exhibition of the Light shed

by the Scriptures of Truth on the Matters

involved in the Crisis that has arrived

warning in these days-this

Age of humbug, hypocriny, and sham

And honest manners of our noble sires.

Our children, like our capons, with sweet-stuff,

In which we spe and mince, despise the rough

The writer of the pamphlet is evidently

man of crudition in biblical lore

in Eastern Affairs, showing the approach-

the late Andrew Scott, Writer to the Signet,

Hongkong, June 1, 1876.

BORRADILE. of a Daughter.

LEOPOLD KAHN, of Paris, of a Son.

Walter Lincoln Odell, aged 29 years.

Water, Lemonade, Tonic Water,

Steamer leaves for Yokohama and Ban

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THURSDAY, October 11:-

FRIDAY, October 12:-

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hama and San Francisco.

WEDNESDAY, October 24:-

THURSDAY, November 1:-

about this date.

THURSDAY, November 8:--

Francisco.

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son.-Wieler & Co. RAJANATTIANUHAR, British str., Captain Hopkins,-Yuen Fat Hong. CHURNUM, British ship, Captain E.

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DARTMOUTH, British barque, Captain Robertson, -Order.

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Hongkong, October 6, 1877. FOR NEW YORK. The A 1 British Barque "CHINAMAN, Capt. A. MACKENZIE, will load here, and have quick despatch

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notice to consignees.

ONSIGNEES of the following Cargo are requested to send in their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for countersignature, and take immediate delivery. This Cargo has been landed and stored at their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. H. DU POUEY, Ex Yangtse, 18th September, 1877.

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Total, 32 Packages. Hongkong, October 5, 1877. FROM OALOUTTA, PENANG AND

SINGAPORE

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JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Hongkong, October 6, 1877.

# BHIPPING.

ARRIVALS. Oct. 5, Nizam, British steamer, 1727; A.

E Barlow, Bombay Sept. 17, Galle 22, Penang 27, and Singapore 30, Mails and For HOIHOW & HAIPHONG .-General.-P. & O. S. N. Co. Oct. 6, The Murray, British ship, 903, W. H. Mitchell, Newcastle (N.S.W.), Aug. 10. Coal. - JARDINE, MATHESON & Co. Oct. 6, Chocola, British barque, 248,

Hennet, Newchwang-Sept. 16, Beans. -Oct. 6, Argyll, British steamer, 1270, Scott, Calcutta Sept. 21, Penang 27, and Singapore 30, General, JARDINE, MATHE-

MON & Co. Oct. 6, Flodden, British barque, from Oct. 6. Garmouth. British 3-m. schooner.

Oct. 6. Holyrood, British steamer, 333, H. Moreton, Hoihow Oct. 24, General 11 s.m., Morning Prayer, &c. RUSBELL & Co.

DEPARTURES. Oct. 6. Amoy for Shanghal. 6. Yungching, for Shanghal. .8, St. Anns, for Haiphong.

OLEARED. Douglas, for Court Ports, Deucalion, for Shanghai. Esmeralda, for Manila.

Charon Wattana, for Bangkok. PASSENGERS.

Per Nisam, for Hongkong : from Southsmpton, Comdr. Aldrich, Lt. W. M. Carry. Sub, Lt. H. Preedy, and Mr awyer : from Brindisi, Mr A. G. Morris; from Bombay. Mr F. M. de Cucha i from Singapore, Mr. munion, 1st Sunday in Chinese month. McNulty, and 42 Chinese For happinal from Southampton, Mrs Tisdall and child. Mrs Feyer and child, and Miss Fryer. For Yokohama i from Southampton, Messre J. R. Haggett, and H. James ; from Singapore, West Point. one Japanese performer.

Per Chocola, from Newchwang, Mrs Kenhet and family, and Miss Murray. Per Argyll, from Straits, 896 Chinese. Per Helyrood, from Holhow, 65 Chinese, and I European.

DEPARTED. Per Amby, for Shanghai, Mrs Brown, and Mr Wilhelm Schriever.

PASSENGERS. Per Yungching, for Shanghai, 52 Chinese. Per St. Anne, for Haiphong, 6 Chinese.

To DEPART. Per Deucation, for Shanghai, Dr. and Mrs Dudgeon and family, and Rev. J. and Mrs Robinson, and 10 Chinese. Per Douglas, for Coast Ports, 150 Chi-

Tenders for Repairs of the German bark Melusine, will be received at the office Per Esmeralda, for Manila, 1 European, of the Agents up to 4 p.m. and 125 Chinese.

SHIPPING REPORTS. The British barque Chocola reports Fine weather throughout the passage. The British steamer Argyll reports Light winds and fine weather to 19 N.,

thence to port squally. The British steamer Holyrood reports Left Hollow at noon of the 4th October, and had strong N.E. winds with heavy head sea and cloudy weather throughout. Left str. Albay in port.

#### Charters Effected.

The following charters have been effected during the last ten days :--British bark Woodville, 714, hence to London, private. American ship Henry S. Sanford, 1159,

ence to New York, private. German bark Bertha, 442, hence to Hamburg, private. British ship, Banlan, 760, Amoy to New

British bark Glamorganshire, 456, Newchwang to Hongkong, 26 cents per picul, 25 lay days. German bark Malvina, 499, Newchwang to Hongkong, 271 cents per picul, 25 lay

British bark Georgina, 314, Newchwang to Whampoa, 30 cents per picul, 22 lay days: British bark Nimrod, 695, Newchwang to Swatow, 24 cents per picul, 30 lay days. American bark Quickstep, 826, Newchwang to Swatow, 22 cents per picul. British bark Merse, 629, Newchwang to Swatow, 28t cents per picul, 25 lay days. British bark E. M. Young, 345, New-

chwang to Swatow, 285 cents per picul, 24 American schooner Annie S. Hall, 455, Newchwang to Swatow, 281 cents per picul, 25 lay days.

British steamer Pernambuco, 648, Hongkong to Saigon, \$1,200 in full. British steamer Penedo, 652, Saigon to Manila private.

German steamer Cassandra, 928, Swatow to Singapore, \$8 per head, 10 lay days, British schooner Viscount Macduff, 289, hence to Halphong and back, \$1,900 in full, 25 lay days. British bark Large, 751, Foochow to London, private. German bark Meteor, 600, hence to New York, private.

German bark Hieronimus, 425, Newchwang to Hongkong, 25 cents per picul; 25 lay days. German bark Humboldt, 330, Whampoa o Chefoo and back to Hongkong, 24 cents per picul, 25 lay days.

German bark Peiho, 250, hence to Hal- si 7.15 p.m. sphong and back, 24 cents per plcul, 20 lay British schooner Roderick Hay, 290, bence to Haiphong and back, 25 cents per

picul, 30 lay days. British steamer Spartan, Swatow to Singapore, (passengers) \$8 per head, 10 lay

British bark Anazi, 468, cleared for

British ship Sydenham, 1063, has taken | Kent. Agnes Aulos, the beloved Wife of the berth for London, rate nominally £2 per 50 feet. British ship Northampton, 1161, has taken the berth for Singapore, having been

ordered to that Port from home. British bark Osaka, 527, proceeds to Edinburgh, aged 23 years. Amoy to take the berth for New York. British bark Alice, 628, left for Yokohams with original cargo of Kerosine Oil. American ship Titan, 1229, left for Callao seeking.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS. MAILS will close:-

For MANILA. --Per ESMERALDA, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 7th inst.

For YOKOHAMA.-Per MaLACCA, at 9.80 s.m., To-morrow, the 7th inst.

FOR SHANGHAL -Per NIZAM, at 11 a.m. To-morrow, the 7th inst. Late letters received from 11.10 to 11.80, with 18 cents late fee. The Post Office will be open

Per HOLYROOD, at 10.80 a.m., on Monday, the 8th inst.

For SAIGON .-Per AMBOTO, at 5 p.m., on Monday, the 8th inst. For SWATOW .-

Per NORNA, at 7.30 a.m., on Tuesday, the 9th inst.

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES :-

Reverend Bishop Burdon: The Rev. E. Davys, Acting Colonial Chaplain.

Military Service. -- Rev. J. Henderson, Of bloated meanness, of small pride and puff! A gilded age of knowledge! when we cram acting Military Chaplain. Morning Prayer, &c. Union Church.-Minister, Rev. James

Lamont. Morning Service, at 11 A.M. School, pulpit, stage, the nation-ruling Press, Authors and Speakers, all fan up the fires Afternoon, 6 P.M. St. Peter's Seamen's Onunch .- Rev.

Of cant and show, and hollow-heartedness !" J. Henderson. Service at 6 P.M., every Sunday. All seats free, Morning Prayer and Communion on the First Sunday in nothing else, and an outline of his proeach month at 11 a.m.

A. B. Hutchipson, and Rev. Lo Sam Yuen, (All Services in Chinese.) Morning Prayer :- Litany, Ante-Communion, and Sermon, at 11 a.m. Bible Class, at Preaching, at 6.30 P.M. Holy Com-BERLIN FOUNDLING House. - Service in the German language, by Pastor E. Klitzke,

every Sunday, at half-past ten A.M., in the Chapel of the Berlin Foundling House, Daylight .- Douglas leaves for Coast Ports.

10 a.m. - Elemeralda leuves for Manila.

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phecies may not be uninteresting. Br. Stephen's Mission Church.-Rev. first clue to his prophecies is, he says, the fact that Turkey has possession of the Holy Land, or Land of Promise, and

that whatever happens to Turkey must affect that land as part of her dominions. Quoting texts of Scripture to show that Palestine was the land promised to Abraham, he argues that that promise has yet to be fulfilled. His next step is to show that the present generation is the time for the commencement of this occupation. This he does by a series of somewhat ingenious arithmetical calculations, based upon Daniel's vision of a ram, a goat, horns, stars, and an army, with the Holy Land as a basis. One little difficulty. however, has to be got over bere,

this resuscitation of the Jewish power 11 a.m. - Holyrood leaves for Holhow, &c. should have commenced 17 years ago, 4p.m. - Brisbane leaves for Singapore, &c. while according to the reading of other authorities it should have commenced no less than 117 years ago. The author wisely concludes that as the resuscitation. of the Jewish power did not commence 117 years ago, the Greek version is the one to be accepted. Is it, we ask, a fact that the resuscitation of that power commenced 17 years ago, or has it yet commenced at all? The author seems to anticipate some objection of this sort, for p.m.-Meeting of Shareholders of the he adds that the approach of favour to Canton Insur. Office, at No. 7, Queen's Zion must involve the dissolution of the power which acts the part of her de solator—a movement which, he says Noon.-English Mail leaves for Ports

now appears to be in progress.

Two or three chapters are then devoted to show that Russia is to be the vauquisher of Turkey, the following passage in the 11th chapter of Daniel being specially advanced to support this argument-"and the King-of the North shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots and with horsemen, and with many ships, and he shall enter into the countries and shall overflow and pass He shall enter also into the glorious land, and many countries shall be overthrown. . . The land of from China was, on the date in question, a fortunately for the applicability of this quotation the "many ships" appear to be on the side of the Turks; nor does whirlwind appear to be a particularly happy simile for the present Russian campaign in Turkey. Turkey having been disposed of by Russia, the Holy Land and Egypt is to be occupied by the British and the former country settled by the Jews under our protection. To she this. Britain has to be identified

the Tarebish, referred to in Scripture. The course of argument followed on this point is that it is testified that Tarshish supplied Tyre with "silver, iron, lead, and tin;" then it is demonstrated that these supplies came from Baratanao (the isles of tin), softened in the course is thus arrived at that the Bible Tarshish is Britain. Having by the aid of copious quotations from Scripture prognosticated the foregoing, the author then proceeds to compile a great war between Russia the [home people may have been misled and England, in which the army of the but the facts, or rather fancies, remain. latter is defeated, and the remnant of the forces brought to bay in Edom and Moab, the south-eastern corner of the Holy the proceedings at the Customs' Station at Land. The author continues :--

"Russia and her confederates are on the point of achieving the dominion of the world, The publication of this issue commensed when a power appears on the scene, unexpected by Russia and England. arrives on the scene, invisibly to the enemies' The crash of heaven's artillery startles the assembled nations of the world throws them into confusion; the rage of the elements decimates the struggling Grays, Essex, the Wife of HERECHT C. thousands. Fire from heaven, the hot thunderbolt, bituminous burning rain, make short work of the multitudinous and embattled foe, and drive a miserable remnant. amounting to a sixth, out of the country, pursued by a handful of Jewish soldiers, Government from time to time, but in acting under the orders of a new and unknown leadership. . .

"This is but the commencement of great day of the Lord.' What follows? subsequent re-establishment of the kingdom of Israel in the hands of the long-rejected but then newly-arrived King of the Jews, who retains on his hands the marks of crucifixion, which he exhibits to the Jews in proof of his identity, with the result of inducing a great and national mourning for their past crimes (Zech. xii. 10-14); and Christ's subsequent call to the governments of the world to surrender to him."

These are the leading events of Mr Roberts' prophecy. They have been extracted from the fifty or sixty pages of the work only by considerable effort, for the author dispenses his prognostications in such prophetically vague and ing Fall of the Ottoman Empire; the disjointed sentences, that the ordinary Settlement of the Jews in Syria under a mind is scarcely equal to the task of British Protectorate; war between Eng. following his meanings. Mr Roberts land and Russia; the Appearing of has shown a considerable knowledge of Christ; the Infliction of Divine Venge- the contents of the Bible, but here ance on mankind; and the setting-up of praise of his work must stop. In the the Kingdom of God. By Robert Roberts | majority of instances he simply draws of Birmingham." This is the title of a vague deductions from vague passages of sixpenny pamphlet, written on the eve Scripture, which very likely have meanof the declaration of war between Russia lings altogether different from those with and Turkey. The days of the prophets which he saddles them. Treating scripare evidently not yet over. Wars and tural texts in the way Mr Roberts rumours of wars generally succeed treats them, it would, we believe, be in raising up a few of these seers-two possible to make the Bible foretell any writers, at least, have, in addition to conceivable event in the future. In one Mr Roberts, favoured the public with or two instances Mr Roberts gives an the wanderings of their prophetic souls entirely different rendering from that since the commencement of the present which, so far as we can judge, commoncrisis. It would be more satisfactory if sense would dictate, and he is unques St. John's Cather Ran. The Right their prophecies agreed with each other, tionably wrong in one or two of his Perhaps we have need of a few notes of statements respecting current politics.

> REUTER'S TELEGRAMS [SUPPLIED TO THE "CHINA MAIL."]

(Via Southern Route.) THE WAR.

Mehemed Pashs has been recalled from his position : Reouff Pashs has been appointed Commander-in-chief of the Turkish Army of the Balkans, and Suleiman Pasha has received the same appointment to the army of the Danube.

### LOCAL AND GENERAL

The batch of twenty isw Policemen die not arrive by the Dewcalton, but it is thought they will come on in the Glaucus, as Inspector Orley, who is in charge of them, has taken passage in that steamer, which left England on the 28th August.

are perfectly prepared to take the risk of give the scores :infection in return for a large bundle of those handy notes; but the suggestion to D. C. Travers replace some of the more dilapidated speci- M. W. Saunders mens with new paper is one which may be | W. F. Darby worth the consideration of the manager of R. S. F. Walker the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. Dr. Ayres, the Colonial Surgeon, might also be called upon for an opinion.

An amusing illustration of the small value

to be attached to many so-called "testimonials" or "certificates" accompanying A. C. Reddie home produce was brought to our notice the other day. Enclosed in a parcel of vegetable seeds was a printed containing four "testimonials" to fertility and excellence of the article supplied, which documents hailed from "China," "Japan," and "Bengal, India -addresses which are probably regarded as sufficiently explicit for home customers. The alleged author of the recommendation Egypt shall not escape," Rather un much respected resident of Macao; and the Hongkong 14th, Singapore 21st July, was "puff" runs thus :- "I am glad to take this opportunity of informing you that at our local show for the last years I have always taken the and the greatest number of Prizes produce of your Vegetable Seeds." we had never stumbled over any cord of a horticultural or vegetable show in Macao, this looked decidedly apocryphal; and Bongkong at once suggested itself as the place meant. But the name of the gentleman quoted has unfortunately never appeared on our local prize list, while the seeds producing the prize exhibits of the Hongkong shows were not supplied of ages into Britain, and the conclusion by the enterprising firm who issues such shaky recommendatory notices. So much for testimonials from a distance. We do Bolton district against the reduction in their not give the name of the London house, as

THE Chinese here continue to complain of

Cap-sui-moon, alleging that the exactions by the officials are daily becoming more unbearable. The station was first established, we believe in 1866, for the sole purpose collecting Lekin on Opium alone. Gradually the Officers in charge, encouraged no doubt by the moral support of Sir Brooke Robertson, extended their operations piece goods, and then to merchandize in Various complaints have been made by the Chinese through the Colonial instance has redress been given. Within collection of Lekin, and in this the regular, Customs dues are levied on goods of all kinds, even daily necessaries. A head of cattle is dutiable at so much a head, but beyond this the officers in charge of this new station exact a fee for porterage. charge is made at 14 candareens each pig or cow, on the plea that the animal has to be carried up to the station for examination, whereas no such service is ever performed, an officer coming down to the passage-boat to count the animals. Nevertheless, the charge for carriage is made all the same. Half a jar of oil, or a few yards of cotton, is just as liable to duty in unknown tariffs as a ball of opium. Salt fish is not dutiable, but we hear of one instance in which the officer did charge for it by including it with other dutiable goods. In the case in question, a man had six baskets of dried beancurd and one basket of salt fish. officer, knowing that salt fish was not dutiable, charged the man for secen baskets of dried bean-curd. The man protested, but to no avail, as he would have either to pay or allow his vessel to be detained. This Station is in charge of some underlingsdomestic servants—of the Haikwan, who are independent of the Provincial authorities. They seem to act on the maxim "gether. hay while the sunshines."

THE Hongkong Catholic Register of to-day has the following :- "We regret to say tha from the correspondence before us it seems clear that the infamous practice of carrying off Anamite girls by force or fraud from their native country and selling them in Chinese Territory into domestic slavery, or, as is more frequently the case for immoral purposes, is again in full vigotir. Over two years ago the Vicercy of Canton put down the traffic at Pakhoi, degrading several Man darins of the prefecture of Lim-chow who had not only tolerated but favored the trade. It has not shown its head there since, but at On Pon it is now again openly carried on. During the past year over 300 Anemite girls were there sold into slavery and among them were many Christians. The Mandarin in authority openly favours the sales, receiving a fee on each girl and recently he accepted two as a present. The subprefect of the town of Shek Sheng favours the Mandarin at On Pon, so that the letter has no fear."

The Cricket Match was continued to-day, but owing to the bad weather it was not concluded. Another name was added to the A connerroundent, who has evidently been Eleven to-day, and they made the very orenamely, that, according to the reeding of studying conitary science, suggests that ditable spote of 141 runs, against a grand total

the Greek version of the Old Testament people in Hongkong have no idea how much of 148 by the Twenty-four. The band of the and certain ancient Hebrew MSS., infection might be conveyed in the older and 28th Regt. was in attendance, and despite dirtier of the \$1 notes now in circulation. the murky state of the atmosphere there was It is just possible that many of our readers a very pleasant afternoon's sport. Below we

> 4 A. K. Travers 7 C. P. Chater 34 H. B. Gibb, not out 0 THE TWENTY-FOUR. 7 D. B. Grant Major Rooke 0 A. B. Ridgway W. K. Morrison 0 G. N. Littleton 10 A. MoG. Heaton R. Blackwell 1 W.K. Hughes 2 W. M. Morgan 8 G.P. Rickard, notout 7 4 T. A. Drought 7 J. T. Chater -,, -0 O P. Jordan, no innings o Lt. Col. Dickins

(L. & C. Express, Aug. 31st.) Latest Mail - Advices : -- Yokohama (via San Francisco) July 25, Shanghai 15, Foo-chow 10, Hongkong 21.—The P. and O. mail, from Yokohama 4th, Shanghai 8th, received, via Brindisi, on the 25th inst., two days in advance of its due date; and the French mail, via Marseilles, with a week's later dates—as tabulated above—came in on the 31st inst. (this day), being three days early. Japan advices via San Francisco, to for the 25th July per Occidental and Oriental Company's steamer Gaslic reached London on the 28th inst. The next inward (P. and O.) mail, which will bring dates, Yokohama 18th, Shanghai 22nd, Hongkong 28th July, Singapore 5th Aug., is due, via Brindisi, on

The Chinese labourers in Cuba have drawn up a memorial of their grievances, in which they complain of illusage on the part of their employers. We are informed that no official information has been received with regard to it at the Chinese Legation. The London Agents of the Ajax (str.), at

Bombay with shaft broken, inform us that this steamer will probably not leave that port till towards the end of next month. The strike of the Cotton operatives in the wages of 5 per cent, has commenced. Last night some eight or ten of the largest mills had ceased running, and to-day there will be nearly 100 mills owned by about thirty firms altogether stopped, the number of hands out being, at the lowest computation, 11,000. It is calculated that the loss in

wages will be £10,000 weekly. Captain Francis Durrant, R.N., who served as commander of the Serapis during the Indian tour of the Prince of Wales, has been selected by Vice-Admiral C. F. Hillyar, C.B., to serve as his flag-captain in the Audacious, on the China station. Paymaster R. W. Parish has been appointed Secretary to the new Commander.

The Ludgate Circus Offices, occupied by the Echo in former days, have been taken by Mr Gordon Bennett, proprietor of the New York Herald, for his new London daily

Lieutenant W. P. Wright, B.M.L.T., has published an account of the cruise of the Narcissus with the Detached Squadron, in which a short description is given of the places visited by the squadron, and of all the last month or two, a new station has matters of interest which occurred during been established alongside the one for the the cruise. A track-chart, by Mr A. Harford, Midshipman, has assisted to make the work complete.

Staff-Commander James Cooper Korr, R. N., died on the 24th inst. at the age of fortynine. The deceased officer entered the navy in 1844, and was appointed a second master in 1850, master in 1856, and staff-commander in 1867. He served for several years in surveying duty in the Pandora, on the Australian station, and was master of the Actoon throughout the China war, from 1857 to 1860, including the operations in the Canton River, the expedition to the north, and the taking of the Taku Forts. During the past five years he had been employed in the surveying branch of the Admiralty.

Dr Charles Richard Alford, formerly Bishop of Victoria, Hongkong, has resigned the Christ Church, Claughton Birkenhead, to which he was appointed about three years ago. Dr Alford is about to undertake for a time the management of the British Protestant church in Rome.

The librarian of the Bodleian Library has refused to allow an undergraduate to read "The Priest in Absolution" at that institution. This decision has been the subject of much discussion at Oxford, and Professor Thorold Rogers has published a letter defending the action of the librarian. Very decisive precautionary measures are

to be taken in regard to the French ship Correze, in which there has been a serious outbreak of cholers during her home passage from Saigon. As soon as she arrives in the Mediterranean she will be signalled to remain off the Hyeres Islands; two ships will then be sent to take off her passengers and crew, who will go into quarantine; the Correze will then be sunk for a time, as will also the two other vessels employed to transport her crew and passengers to land. The movements on the river-side at

Hamburg during the past week have been of

very little importance; departures have been somewhat numerous, but arrivals very fore, commences to assume an empty appearance. In regard to the Far East only one arrival is to be reported, that of the Priscilla, German barque, from the river Of departures I have to record the Undine, Liet, for Singapore, At Bremen neither arrivals nor departures are registered. On the berth there are at present for China, Denisohland, Kuehn, for Rangoon; Feronia, a.s., for Penang, Singapore, &c. (to leave Oct. 8); Conrud Hinrich, Schueler, for Singapore; Civiale, Missen, for Bangkok; Intita, Dirksen; Fidelia, Bohsen; and Osbar; Windhorst, all three for Hong Kong; and Iphigenia, Green; and August, Rue, both

The Times announces that according to late advices the Russians are actively engage ed in forming an arsenal at Visdivostok; Formerly the naval station for refitting and provisioning the Hussian fleet in the Pacific was Nicolaievak, on the estuary of the Amoor river, about eighty miles from its entrance, where an arsenal was formed ; but the extremely rigorous season that prevails from October to April, when navigation is closed by ice, rendered the port inconvenient and isolated, compared with Vladivostok. Conses

quently, when that seasport was selected for

#### Canton. (From a Correspondent.)

An interesting illustration of Chinese social polity and family history, exhibiting the almost romantic possibilities of the Educational system of the Empire, may prove of some interest to your readers.

A century ago the head of a family here, whose ancestral home was in the Fokien Province, was a wealthy Hong Merchant and actual President of the Co-Hong; to which body was entrusted the direct control of the whole Foreign trade and intercourse. On his death, in about 1790, his sons succeeded as members of the Co-Hong and, assisted by a kinsman as their business partner, conducted the business of their prosperous Hong with the advantages of acorued wealth and a position shared by few even of the privileged "Security Merchants" of that day. A measure of their Hong's prosperity was afforded in 1834, when their kinsman died, leaving an estate computed at four millions of taels.

In 1845 the surviving head of the family and Hong and recognized as one of the wealthiest of the Hong Merchants at that period, but retired from mercantile business, though compelled by the Government to the discharge of the duties of a Mandarin Merchant of the Co-Hong, entertained me at dinner at his mansion on Ho-nam, on the hong-boat with his eldest son to conduct myself and friends from the old factories to his very gate on the canal; foreigners not then being safe from violence in the streets of Ho-nam. His house and its surroundings were on a magnificent scale; his family was large, including eight wives, and his eldest son, tall, graceful and courtly, like tleman I had ever known.

We were entertained sumptuously, and shown over the extensive gardens and pleasure grounds of many sores in extent; the ancestral halls, the ornamental stone bridges, the labyrinthine courts and corridors, the graperies and arbors; followed by the stealthy glances of bright eyes from behind deftly-carved bamboo screens and gauxe-embroidered curtains of a texture that "half conceals, half discloses," and lends a piquant zest to curiosity.

Carrying the memory of this attractive scene of a lavish and cordial hospitality around the world with me for five years, always holding the image of the fine young man, the idol and hope of the father, obcrished in my mind's eye, what was my corrow on returning here in 1850 to find him dead of the Opium plague, the fether having also died of grief!

From that time until the past year the fortunes of the family declined, one after another of the males yielding to the fasting. tion of the pipe, until the pitiable degradation was reached of giving up the venerable, extensive and massive ancestral halls (that next to their tombs are sacred in Chinese pulation; one only secon of the race having wegoe for seven days only, but he had to 8,000; the total Russian less is 8,000 efficies egain essents the Turkish prelition; and

and naval stores were removed to it from | held himself and his sons free of the vice Nicolaievsk. Since then, some three years and saved a small remnant of the paternal

> And now, one hundred years since the oulmination of the fortunes of his family by the accession of his ancestor to the Chief-, ship of the Co-Hong, after witnessing thirty years of a constantly accelerating decadence and an almost hopeless future, it is this gentleman's happy fortune and the just fruition of his prudence and parental care to arrest the decline of his family and revindicate its claim to consideration through the virtue and literary attainments of his son. In short, his son has attained the Hanlin degree, and is thus eligible to high Imperial appointments. Thus the Educational system may lift a family from impending despair and oblivion into high honor and lasting renown, that by Chinese usage is reflected back upon its ancestor in the records of National and family history.

CHINA AFFAIRS AT HOM (From our own Correspondent.)

LONDON, Aug. 31st, 1877. There seems to be some little indication of a split in the camp at the Chinese Legation. The two Envoys started a short time back together for a tour through the manufacturing districts, Ireland, Scotland, &c., but at Stoke, it seems the chief became suddenly ill, and he returned to London, while the second Minister Liu, who, it is understood, is Minister designate to Berlin, went on at his own hook and is now figuring in Dublin. I, of course, know nothing more have been sent to six months' hard labour chiefly draughted from the Navy, who have than the bare facts which are before the on the 17th March, 1877, for entering a public, but they are in themselves sig- dwelling house with intent to steal. nificant, and it would certainly seem that | that occasion two previous convictions were there must be some little bitch, otherwise proved against him. one would imagine that, the second Min- 8th. substantial kind. The Governor's residence ister would defer his starring expedition until his chief got well again. know how subject Chinese officials are tructive fires. A fine club-house has been to sudden attacks of illness and can imagine that something may have ocwhen nearly finished was burnt to the curred which has unexpectedly prostrated H. E. Kuo. From what I hear in one trade, French residents predominate, one of direction and another, I think there is a certain amount of jealousy between the his stook of jewellery stolen. Altogether two, as indeed is rather likely to be the case, when we consider the delicacy of the position of people forming a kind of Jointambansy. If there is any position in the world in which individual freedom of action would seem to be necessary, it is that of an Envoy, whose judgment outht surely to be left unfettered so that he may be able to decide with promptitude and efficacy on the matters which come before him. However this may be, I imagine that the partnership hitherto existing between Messra Kuo and Liu may very probably be dissolved, even before the latter goes to Berlin. It was expected that he would have done so some time ago; but I suppose there has been some hitch in this also.

An unqualified denial has been given by "H. M." no doubt Dr. Macartney, th Secretary to the Chinese Legation, to statement made in the (elestial Empire to the effect that the 1 mpress of China and the Chinese Ambassador both indulged i opium smoking. A letter of the kind scoms rather original, considering the comparatively small number of readers of Celestial Empire as compared with those of the Times and the Morning Post in which the denial appeared; but still it was hardly possible to avoid taking some notice of the statement in view of the avidity with which the anti- pium Society catch hold of anything to make their case. It would no doubt be a great point for them if they had the authority of a China paper to the effect that Kuo Ta-Jen smoked opium himself as explanatory of the lukewarm, not to say cold support which he gave to their representations some time back on the "A. M." explains with a considerable degree of plausibility, that " in Chica it would not have been necessary for him to enter into particulars, for there, even among his enemies, his conduct with regard to opium would be admi ted as being al ogather above suspicion; but while in China it might have been unnecessary even to notice the report, in England, where, owing to the shortness of his sojourn among us, he is less known, it is otherwise; and it the statement were allowed to pass unchaleve of my return home. He sent his large lenged, those among us who are hostile to the oplum trade-and who is not |-might think that in him they had a less stanch supporter than they really have."

I hear upon good anthority that there is very little doubt that the London Committee of the Shanghai Chamber of Commerce will take some action with regard to the question of ratifying the Chefoo Convention in due course. At present, even if the Governnent were not awaiting the decision of the Government of India-their present excuse the father, was the finest young native gen- for delay-nothing could be done until people begin to return to London, which will not be for another two months. suspect however, about that time, we shall find matters here stirring in one

direction or snother. I notice that Dr Alford, your former Bishop, whose short visits and long absences will be remembered by your readers, has been appointed to the Protestant Church in

> Police Intelligence. (Before James Russell, Esq.) 6th October, 1877.

LARCENY. Lo Apak, a chair-coolie, was charged with largeny under the following circumstances. -Wong Achew, servant to Mr W. Danby, of the Surveyor General's Department, stated that the defendant was a chair-coolie to Ma Danby, but had left about 14 days ago as he had sickness. Yesterday Mrs Danby sent a chair-coolie to get the defendant to come for his wages. He came to the house, and witness gave some spoons and forks to one of the chair-coolies to wash, The defendant went and helped the chair coolie to clean them. When the chair coolis toturned the spoons and forks to witness, he found two apoons and one fork short. The defendant was suspected, but he denied that he stole them. Witness threatened to give the defendant into custody, when he took witness to the street door and put his hand into a hole wherefrom he drew out the forks and spoons. Mrs Dauby then sent

\$2.40. He took the things to pawn them, as he had no maney to spend. - Witness stated that he did pay for his food and debts. He had stolen a pair of trousers from the Amah and had to pay for the redemption. Four months' hard labour.

Lu Akai farmer, and Liu Sam Tai, boatman, were charged with obstructing the navigation of the steamer Deucalion by hooking on their boat to her as she came into the Harbour. Fined \$5 each or 21 days' hard labour.

Caitano Dias, Antonio Francisco Chaves, watchmen, and Mak Asz, seaman on board the steamer Ichang, were charged by Inspector Grimes with being concerned in a inforced. A great battle with Mehemed fraces on board the steamer Ichang. -The complainant, Leong Atai, stated that he was the master of cargo boat No 35. evening he was engaged by the Chun Shing cotton yarn shop to take 95 bales of cotton to the steamer Ichang. He got alongside at 6.30 p.m.; when he had nearly finished the work, the seamen on the steamer said he came rather late. He replied that he was not late. They got angry and threw forms, truck, lamp, empty bottles and chatties into his cargo boat, so that he got hurt in the leg. One old man was also hurt. Witness then tried to get away, when the defendants jumped into his boat and tried to assault the crew.-Further evidence was taken, from which it appeared that there was a general fight between the cargoboatmen and those on board the Ichang, and that one party was as blameable as the other. The Magistrate ordered both the complainant and defendants to give security in \$25 to keep the peace for one month.

A BUSPICTOUS CHARACTER. Lee Acheung, a stone-cutter, was found sitting behind a house at Hungham at 2 o'clock this morning. He was proved to

#### ARRIVAL OF THE ENGLISH MAIL.

The P. & O. Co.'s steamer Nizam, Captain A. E. Barlow, with the London mails of the 31st August, arrived last night. The information conveyed in the telegrams is of considerable interest and importance, it gives a clearer idea of the movements the opposing armies and the present position

#### TELEGRAMS. (Straits Times Extra.)

London, Sept. 13 .- The Russians have combarded Plevna for six days, and the town is now closely invested. Sorties have been made by the Turks, which have been repulsed. It is estimated that the combined Russian and Roumanian armies before Plevna number 80,000 men and 356 guns, and that Osman Pasha's force number 60,000 men and 220 guns. The hussians have constructed a new bridge over the Danube at Nicopolis. Slavonic journals state that the Montenegrins on the 11th instant defeated the Turkish force which was marching to the relief of Nicksies, and that the Turkish loss was 700

M. Gambetta will appeal against his sen-

London, Sept. 13 .- A Russian official despatch states that the Russian headquarters were removed to Poredin on the 12th inst. A general assault on Plevna took place at o'clock on the afternoon of 11th, followed by desperate fighting until evening, when the Russians had captured three redoubts on the southern front and a great redoubt at Grivitza. Iwo Russian generals were killed, and one The Russians estimate their loss 5.000 wounded, but the number of killed is unknown. At daybreak on the 12th, the Russians occupied the positions they have conquered, and a heavy cannonade was being

London, Sept. 14.-According to unofficial urkish accounts. Mehemed Pasha was marching against the Russian positions on the river Jantra on the 12th instant, and the Russians were falling back. It is reported that Suleiman Pasha has crossed the Balkans and occupied a village ten miles south jabrova. A Turkish official despatch states that on the 9th instant Hafiz Pasha repulsed violent attack by the Montenegrins on the Turkish positions, and that the Montenegrins suffered heavy loss.

The Mansion House Famine Relief Fund now amounts to £150,000. Chief Inspector Clarke has been arrested

for complicity in the recent turf frauds. At the opening of the new Town-hall at Birmingham, Mr. John Bright, in speaking of the Indian famine, urged upon the Indian Government to look beyond the military necessities of India and to devote their chief expenditure to canals and irrigation, as the sole means for the prevention of the recurrence of the present distress.

A collision has taken place between the emigrant ship Avalanche outward bound to Wellington, and the American ship Forest near Portland. The Avalanche sank with all hands and 95 passengers, and thirteen of the crew of the Forest also perished.

London, Sept. 15 .- A Russian official despatch from Plevna states that, after six attacks on the 12th instant, the Turkish the June on the following day. A Courttroops recovered the three entrenched positions from the Russian left wing, which the Turks had lost on the 11th instant. On the night of the 12th, the Russian troops completely invested Plevna with a line of entrenchments. The Russian losses are enormous. Spleiman Pasha, under date of 14th instant, states that the Turkish batteries in the Schipka Pass have silenced the Russian batteries; and that he holds Trajan's Hoad,

The army under the Grand Duke Alexander, after several sanguinary engagements, has wholly withdrawn to the west of the river Jantra. The Russians have evacuated Ardahan and withdrawn from Fort Emirogion. The Turks have occupied Abergueul. In the race for the Doneaster cup, Hampton was first, Chesterton second, and Thorn

Nile is critical, and the downward tendency.

London, Sept. 17 .- A Russian official despatch states that the Turks have unsuccessa fully attacked a redoubt at Grivitra, and burning. The Bussian less in killed is sian rear. The invadors are too weak to

and paid witness and 12,000 men and the total Roumanian know not what is to come next. The fightloss is 2,600 men.

the 11th the Russian army corps evacuated Tirnova to reinforce the Russian army corps | Balkans. at Biela. Suleiman Pasha telegraphs on the 15th instant-that a destructive cannonade | narrative. The exploit of its capture by on the Russian positions continued in the General Gourko was the opening act of a Schipka Pass. Mahomed Pasha states that on the 15th instant the Turks defeated the The Russians, driven by the Turkish twelfth Russian army corps with great loss generals back from their incursion south of and pursued them to Banikalom. Baker the Balkans into the mountains, retrested

despatch states that Suleiman Pasha, on the Since then there has been daily desperate 16th instant, captured Fort Nicholas in the fighting-both sides suffering fearful loss, Schipka Pass.

Duke Alexander, which occupies the line of the river Jantra, has been strongly re-Pasha's force is believed to be imminent. The Russian army in Poland has been ordered to Bulgaria. The German troops will guard the frontier of the Polish provinces of Russia. General Todleben is planning winter camps at Matchin, Hirsova, Sistova and Nicopolis, and has fortified the approaches to the bridges over the Danube. Bosnia has been placed in a state of siege. London, Sept. 18.—The Mansion House

It is semi-officially denied that the Servian troops are marching towards the frontier, replaced with astonishing precision. Again but, on the contrary, it is stated that they have returned to their quarters, having finished their manœuvres.

Madras Famine Relief Fund now amounts.

Fort Nicholas in the Schipka Pass for Radetzki division to the support of the motives of strategy. A Russian official despatch, however, the exhaustion of the Russians, that,

tinuous fighting. Rumours which have been current of an for three days on bread

officially denied.

was 19 officers and 500 men. issued a manifesto, in which he states that was a surprise in store for General he serves no party, but that he will maintain. Stoletoff. The Russian batteries protected the constitution, whatever result the elec- the road of the Pass north and south, and, tions may have, and that he will remain to up to this time, were quite out of reach of defend Conservative interests with the help any furkish artillery; but, on the night of of the Senate.

that Germany and Austria would insist upon through a wood to the west and reaching an armistice in the event of the serious de- the heights of Aikerdie Bel. Here guns feat of Russia. The result of the third were placed in position, and the Russians battle of Plevna, which seems to be rather awoke on the morning of Aug. 25 to find in favour of the Russians, may alter the that they had overlooked this important views of these Powers as to the necessity of strategical position, from which it was even interfering in their favour. It is stated possible to fire upon the road in the rear, that the Khedive's application to the Porte which was soon proved by the fall of for permission to form a Navy has the ap- General Borajinski, killed by a rift ball proval of the British Government.

Japan.

The Nagasaki Rising Sun says: - By the latest accounts from Kagoshima, the position of the last remaining band of insurgents with Saigo, Kirino, and other leaders, is at length hopeless. Profiting by the experiences of tormer escapes, the Imperialists appear determined that no possibility of exit shall be allowed, and every precaution that care and hard work can secure has been taken to enclose the dreaded crowd in a net from which they will be unable to, extricate themselves. The circuit of the variously stated to be from nine to ten miles, in which distance more than 20,000 soldiers have been posted. Before the insurgents can cut their way through this body of men, they have, it appears, to break down a triple line of bamboo pallisading, in the rear of which a ditch has been dug, and stone wall erected where the nature of the ground is favorable. Meanwhile, the Satsuma men, supposed to be in all about 2,000, occupy the enclosed buildings and the wooded shelter of the hill known as Shiroyama. Having got their enemy so far secured, the policy of the Imperial commander, we believe, will be to await their surrender, which cannot be delayed very long. A storm of shot and shell is kept up whenever opportunity can be got, and the besieged occasionally reply when they can find good investment for their limited stock of ammunition. Owing to the inhuman cruelty practised by the rebels on the 1st of this month, on their surprising the place, we believe no quarter will be given, and we are informed that the men who now surrender or are taken prisoners are shot without mercy.-By the last accounts Cholera was bad in the vicinity, and if it breaks out among the densely packed crowds of soldiers and coolies exposed to the hardships of want of shelter and constant rain, there is no telling the turn things may take; but we trust that by the end of the month something decided will be known of the complete wind-up of this revolution. The same paper says that the cholera

which at the time of its last issue was creating somewhat of a panic at Nagasaki, has considerably decreased in its virulence and distribution, and during the last day two few deaths have occurred either there or Takasima, in which latter place considerable anxiety prevailed a day or two ago, on its presence having been announced in the island. Only two deaths have occurred among the foreign population, and those two both on board men-of-war-H.M.S. Vigilant arrived on the 15th, and martial was held on board the latter ship on Tuesday, in which two men of the Lify were sentenced; one to two years and the other to twelve months' imprisonment for insubordination. The movements of the different ships are somewhat uncertain, but it was believed that the June would leave for Shanghai on Monday and the Kestrel for Kobe, while the Autlacious, Vigilant and Lily remain until further orders, H. I. M. R. M. S. Bayan and Vsadnick left. for Yokohama on the 18th instant.

DIARY OF THE WAR. Holding the key of the Balkans has proved awful work for the Bussians, and to get possession of it has cost the Turks dear; Both may now be destribed as in possession Alexandria, Sept. 18 .- The state of the of the key, and as a consequence there is a dead look. The Russians all that are left of them after eight tiers of slaughter-have retreated to their entrementalities at the top of the pass ; the Turks, who are estimated to have lost most heavily in the struggle, that a heavy cannonade was kept up on the are entrenched on a shoulder of an adjoin-15th instant, on which data Plevus was ing mountain, where they menace the Russ

ing pauses, and with the Turkish General. A Turkish official despatch states that on Suleiman Pashs, rests the next step, and on it hange the fate of the Russians in the

The story of the Shipka Pass is a thrilling drama full of horror and of intense interest. Pasha's cavalry is operating with success. to an apparently impregnable position—one London, Sept. 17 .- A Turkish official which the Turks ought never to have lost. the Turks advant ged by the ease with London, Sept. 18.—The army of the Grand | which they re-established their columns from the large reserves under Rassim On Aug. 21 at daybreak the fight began

-the Turks attacking on three sides, but

oblefly from the Russian right, and from

this the westerly direction, threatening to

turn the Russian flank. Rinforcements from the Russian head-quarters at Tirnova could enter the pass, however, and Brienski Regiment turned the fortunes of the day against Suleiman Pasha. On Aug. 22 the Turks renewed the attack at daybreak, and nineteen separate attempts were made on that day to carry the Russian position. The assaulting parties were mown down by the Russian guns, but were at daybreak on Aug. 23 the havon went on, (Taken at Messes Falconer & Co.'s Premises and the Turks massed in immense numbers, defying the hot artillery fire; and the issue London, Sept. 19 .- A Turkish official des- of the Shipka struggle would have been patch states that the Turks have abandoned | decided that day but for the arrival of the Russian commander, Stoletoff. Such was states that the Turkish assault was repulsed entrenched as they were, they were on with enormous loss after nine hours' con- the point of surrendering. Some 50,000 strong, they had fought day and night and water, and armistice and mediation have been semi- cartridges began to run short, and the men lost heart and were falling back London, Sept. 19 .- The bombardment of at the moment when the cheers of Plevna continues. Chefket Pasha, with the reinforcing corps were heard. The reinforcements from Asia, is marching to Turkish lines were then broken and the the relief of Plevna. The Russians in the Russians pursued for a couple of miles and Schipka Pass have been strongly reinforced. returned to their entrenchments. All day The Russian loss in recovering Fort Nicholas on Aug. 24 the Turks, 80,000 in number, again assailed the Russian redoubt without Paris, Sept. 19.—Marshal MacMahon has success; but on Saturday, Aug. 25, there Aug. 24, Suleiman Pasha succeeded in The Foreign Office has reason to believe | getting men and guns up a slope and while walking on the main road by which the Russians were sending their wounded to the rear and getting their supplies and reinforcements.

Now came the deadly part of the struggle. The Russian commander decided that come what might the Turks must be driven from 26. Alexandra. this eminence. They had three batteries | 27. Kate Carnie, already at work. In a short time the 30, C. R. Bishop, Russians in the Pass would be cut off from Gabrova. The result - simply fatal to Stoletoff and all with him. An assault on the Turkish batteries was promptly made half the force sent was out to pieces. The assault was renewed-No. 1 battery taken, No. 2 battery surrounded by feiled trees found unapproachable, No. 3 battery carried at the point of the bayonet. Then, after desperate bloody fighting, the tree-protected battery was assailed; and the Russians, clambering over the felled timber, lost so many that though victorious they could not hold the prize they had taken. They looked round for reinforcements. There were none to hand. The Turks discovered the fact, and, 18,000 strong, charged up the hill and retook all three batteries. A more sickening disaster can hardly be imagined for the invaders. The remnants of the regiments, which were all that the Russian commander had to send upon this forlorn hope, had fought bravely and won, though | 11, Horsa. almost destroyed; and on the same day 18. Jessie Jamieson. the whole of the positions they had captur- | 14. Abernyte. ed were taken from them, and the Russians, 18. Carl Ritter. escaping back to their entrenchments at the | 25. Globe. head of the pass, await the result with 30. Ferdinand. trembling. It is certain that the Russian | 31, R. C. Rickners. position is a very strong one; but the force | 31. Andreas, will be speedily starved out of it, if the Turks from their eminence of Aikerdje Bel can command the Gabrova road.

In this sketch is supplied all the war news of the week; but just as the contending parties in the Shipka Pass pause before the final combat, so the armies of the Balkans are silently preparing for another big battle. The war assumes very terribie proportions—the worst part of which is hardly the numbers who fall in the battlefield, vast as those numbers are-for the misery, death, and ruin covering all the region where the armies move are, according to all accounts, greater than can be conceived by the records of the march of armies in any recent European war.

WARTE of wealth is sometimes retrieved; waste of health, seldom : but waste of time, | 19, Norman Court, Ir a small boy is called a "lad," is it

proper to call a bigger boy a "ladder ?"

WHY cannot two slender persons ever become great friends ?-Because they will always be elight acquaintances. Somerony writes to a rural paper to ask

"how long rows should be milked."-Why, 11. Golden State. the same as short cows, of course! "JOHN," said a stingy old fellow to his Aug.

hired man as he was taking dinner, "do 4, Titania, you know how many panoakes you have 10, Mikado, saten?" "No; do you?" "Yes; you have 14, Rosetta McNell, eaten fourteen." "Well," said John, "you 26, Rutlandshire, count and I'll eat."

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In the sges of faith, before the day When men were too proud to weep or pray. There stood in a red-roofed Breton town Snugly negtled 'twixt sea and down. A chapel for simple souls to meet, Nightly and sing with voices sweet,

There was an idiot, palsied, bleared, With unkempt locks and a matted beard, Hunched from the gradle, vacant-oyed, And whose head kept rolling from side to side Yet who, when the sunset-glow grew dim, Joined with the rest in the twilight hymn,

Ave Maria

But when they got up and wended home Those up the hillside, those to the foam. He hobbled along in the narrowing dust, Like a thing that is only hull and busk : On as he hobbled, chanting still, Now to himself, now loud and shrill,

When morning smiled on the smiling deep. And the fisherman woke from dreamless sleep, And ran up his sail and trimmed his craft, While his little ones leaped on the sand and laughed The sonseless oripple would stand and stare. Then suddenly hollos his wonted prayer, Ave Maria

Others might plow, and resp, and sow, Delve in the sunshine, spin in the snow, Make sweet love in a shelter sweet; Or trundle their dead in a winding-sheet But he, through rapture, and pain, and wrong, Kept singing his one monotonous song, Ave Maria

When thunder growled from the raveled wrack, And ocean to welkin bellowed back. And the lightning sprang from its cloudy sheath, And tore through the forest with jugged teeth, Then leaped and laughed o'er the havor wreaked, The idiot clapped with his hands, and shricked,

Children mocked and mimicked his feet. As he slouched or sidled along the street; Maidens shrank as he passed them by. And mothers with child eschewed his eye And half in pity, half scorn, the folk Christened him, from the words he spoke, Ave Maria !

One year when the harvest feasts were done. And the mending of tattered nets begun And the kirtiwake's scream took a weirder key From the wailing wind and the moaning sea, He was found, at morn, on the fresh-strewn snow, Frozen, and faint, and crooning low,

They stirved up the ashes between the dogs. And warmed his limbs by the blazing logs. Chafed his puckered and bloodless skin. And strove to quiet his chattering chin But, ebbing with unreturning tide. He kept on murmuring till he died,

Ave Maria

Idiot, soulless, brute from birth, He could not be buried in sacred earth So they laid him afar, apart, slone, Without a cross, or turf, or stone, Senseless clay unto senseless clay, To which none ever came nigh to say,

Ave Maria When the meads grew saffron, the hawthorn white And the lark bore his music out of sight, And the swallow out-raced the racing wave. Up from the lonely, outcast's grave Sprouted a lily, straight and high, Such as she bears to whom men cry,

None had planted it, no one knew How it had come there, why it grew Grew up strong, till its stately stem Was crowned with a snow-white diadem-One pure lily, round which, behold Was written by God in veins of gold,

Over the lily they built a shrine, Where are mingled the mystic bread and wine ! Shrine you may see in the little town That is snngly nestled 'twixt deep and down. Through the Breton land it bath wondrous fame, And it bears the unshriven idiof's name,

Hunchbacked, gibbering, blear-eyed, halt, From forehead to footstep one foul fault. Crazy, contorted, mindless born. The gentle's pity, the cruel's scorn, Who shall bar you the gates of Day. Bo you have simple faith to say,

-Cornhill Magazine.

POPULAR FALLACIES. quently, by avoiding the night air, and that the precedence, damp weather, and changeable weather, and weather that is considered too hot or too cold, they are kept within doors the a matter of course continue invalids, more | welfare of the ladies of the palace. and more ripening for the grave every hour; the reason is, they are breathing an

mixing with it as it passes through the ignorance and superstition to be found body, that it requires a hogshead of air among these ennuch priests, and the every hour of our lives to unload it of these spiritual benefit likely to accrue to the Each sunuch, in addition to his pay, is to know which to pity most, the emperor if would have taken a week to play it. impurities; but in proportion as this air is employers of their services. vitiated, in such proportion does it infall. These eighteen Lama priests draw a monthly; and to economise their salaries, gorgeous imprisonment, or the ennuchs in To be continued on the curtain, and run ibly fail to relieve the blood of these im. double allowance of salary, receiving an as well as for convenience sake, the ennuche their deprivation of all that constitutes it straight along. But the managers said, purities, and impure blood is the foundation allowance as priests in addition to their form messes amongst themselves, subscrib. what may be essentially termed manhood. No; it would get us into trouble with the of all disease. The great fact that those salary as enruchs; this is a strong tempta- ing so much each to supply meat, veget. From everything we can learn regarding general public, and into trouble with the who are out of doors most, summer and tion to many ennuche, and any vacancy in ables and other kinds of food, which is sunuche, but one conclusion can be drawn general government, because the Constituwinter, day and night, rain or shine, have the ranks of the priesthood is—under these cooked in the palace.

the best health the world over, does of circumstances—filled without difficulty.

Every courtyard in the palace has its were it not for that sunuchs would be as punishment; so he out out, and out out, and

Air is the great necessity of life; so much and as no outsiders can enter the palace, a dily summoned when wanted.

The palace gates are shut at dusk, and introduce sumuchs?" Revolting and painful that he could cut out the whole of it." perish; and so constant is the necessity of that purpose. This corps numbers over opened shortly after midnight, for the as the idea may be, one cannot avoid the the blood for contact with the atmosphere, three hundred, and is composed entirely of admission of such officials as have business reflection that they are gradually trending that every drop in the body is emposed to sunnehs, the whole of them under the with the emperor. Should any sunuch be in that direction; that there is but a step

out door air of any locality, the in-door air form but those of playing in the palace, bucasions by sunuchs, no one being allowed eventually be taken. Let us hope that this of that locality is still more impure, be- and the reheatesis heccessary to render egress or ingress without a hat on; con- foul blot on civilization may be "wiped cause of the dust, and decaying and odo- them proficient. riferous matters which are found in all Within the palace is a theatre, known as is by taking his hat from him, and by this

To this very general law there is one ex. have distinguished themselves; and have appearance; indeed, one can almost imagine caption, which it is of the highest import- therefore been deemed worthy of witnessing some of them to be young women dressed ance to note. When the days are not and what may be termed a "state perform- in men's clothing. As they grow older the nights odol, there are periods of time ance."

dle of the day. They did not understand with a performance. the philosophy; but they observed the fact

in the night are attacked with mortal fevers. third grade and wears a " red button." their leisure time in that occupation. It opinion of their own, ashamed to be out of that night air is unwholesome, at least in duty, through hardship, ill-treatment, or they say, if we "do not like gambling we talker near them. Keep your ears the locality of virulent malarias, but there other causes, should run away from the have no pleasure." is no direct proof that the air about sunrise palace, his absence is immediately reported As a class, sunuchs are considered to be various theories of all the critics and theaand sunset is not that which is productive to a species of police corps, whose duty very honest, it being a rare occurrence to trical journals in town, and pick up more

on this subject.

impunity, who would set out on his journey flight of one reported, than the members | deserving. an hour or two after sundown, and finish of the force (who are adepts at disguises.

a locality? It would not. It would be is sent back to his duty in the palace. For the bargain. In paying for small articles safer to sleep in the house, especially if the the second offence, he is put into the too, they rarely take back any change,windows and doors were closed. The rea- cangue for two months; at the end of which | indeed it is seldom one of them is ever son is, that the house has been warmed he is again returned to his duty. For the known to be mean or stingy. during the day, and if kept closed, it re- third offence, he is banished to Moukden As regards cunuchs being subject to mains much warmer during the night for two years and a half, and at the com- melancholy and a disposition to suicide, indoors than it is outdoors; consequently, pletion of his term of banishment, he is close questioning elicited the answer that the malaria is kept by this warmth so high returned to his duty, as usual. above the head, and so rarefled, as to be . Theft is punished by banishment to my informant never having heard of a comparatively harmless. This may seem Monkden; but if the property stolen should | single case during a period of forty years; to some too nice a distinction altogether, be anything prized by the emperor, such and that melancholy is not more prevalent but it will be found throughout the world as curios, jewellery, or other valuables, the amongst them than it is amongst Chinese of Nature that the works of the Almighty offender is taken to Chin-shan-k'ou,-a generally. In short, to sum up in a few are most strikingly beautiful in their minu- place about forty li distant from Peking- words what has already been stated, tice, and these minutice are the foundation and there beheaded. of His mightiest manifestations.

course marked out consists in two things, after three days the culprit is again flogged -First, The fire rarefies the malaria and to render the punishment more severe. causes it to ascend above the breathing point. Second, The food taken into the the scabs." stomach creates an activity of circulation which repels disease. Hall's Journal of

### CHINESE EUNUCHS.

It would take up too much time and sunuchs have to perform in the palace. They may be summed up in a few words; in turn." as regards out-door employment, they are water-carriers, watchmen, chair-bearers, gardeners, etc., while their in-door work is place. When once they are driven from such as would be performed by cooks, the palace they cannot be employed as chamber, parlour, scullery maids, and per- servant by any one, and as they are fit for man who resides in the palace at Peking. spared even some of these; but you see we sons of that class in our own countries. In nothing else, they become beggars and One man, only, in that vast enclosure! had the horses, and we didn't like to waste short, they do everything in the palace. I eventually die of starvation. On the other | Well may he be styled the "solitary man!" shall speak more particularly of two or hand, if a prince dismisses a cunuch it is What a life, too, for the ladies! In didactic rather than anything else. Night air and damp weather are held in three special employments of sunuchs as I not of so much consequence, as he may carcerated; shut out from the world, what great horror by multitudes of persons who am on the subject, the first of which may obtain employment in the family of some is the palace but a gorgeous prison for ment. The Chinaman is getting to be be styled of a religious nature, so I give other prince or noble who is entitled by his them! Seeing none of their male rela. pretty frequent figure in the United States,

In the palace are eighteen Lama priests, who are also eunuchs. These priests are vary from two to four tacks per month; home ties must be severed; the most sacred on the stage before you had to deal with supposed to represent the Lo-han, and are twelve taels being the highest salary any feelings of the heart must become withered that problem. Then, for the instruction of

the air through the medium of the lungs control of a chief sunuch. They live in a out of the palace when the gates are closed between them and the eastern polygamist, every two minutes and a half of our exis." building within the Imperial city, but he is compelled to stay out all night, and and unless they awake to the error of their outside the palace, called the Nan-fu. is sure to be severely punished the next ways, or are compelled to reform, that step bined electricity of every object over which Whatever may be the impurity of the Those sunitche have no other duties to per- day. Official hats have to be worn on all -in the common course of events-must it passes, repels the electricity of the same

dows closed; that is to say, for the hour or ance to be given. Both the present old women, who, forgetting their age and two including sunrise and sunset, because empresses are said to enjoy farces or sex, are masquerading in male attire. One about sunset the air cools, and the vapors domestic dramas, in which the homely lives is positive, therefore, on encountering a which the heats of the day have caused to of the poor are depicted, and of which they specimen of this sort, that it is either a ascend far above us, condense and settle can learn but very little, or witness in any bona fide eunuch, or else a masquerading near the surface of the earth, so as to be other manner than by these sources. On old lady—the latter not being very prob-

that those who came to the city at mid-day eunuchs, and that the work of the palace fighting. islands, slept on shore several nights, and looking after gardens, courtyards, cook- palace, but are compelled to wait about the thirteen of them died of yellow fever in a houses, armoury, chairs, etc., etc. Each outer courtyards. These opium dens are few days, while of two hundred and eighty, department has a superintendent—who is called "smoking establishments;" the fact who were freely ashore during the day, not generally of the sixth grade, or having a of their being in the palace is notorious, a single case of illness occurred. The gold button." Over the whole of the but no doubt it is considered policy to shut marshes above named are crossed in six or departments is a chief cunuch, or general the eyes—officially—to their existence.

of intelligent men, we present our theory | themselves, but know all the eunuchs of that they are charitable to the poor, and keenly defended opinions emanate. A person might cross these marshes with succeeds in escaping, for no sooner is the

and ague might be banished from the When a sunuch commits an offence of this little amuses them, while on the other gentleman, upon being called before country as a general disease, if two things kind, it is dealt with summarily. The hand, a mere trifle will make them shed curtain, made the following amusing speech: 1. Have a fire kindled every chief ennuch summons the attendance of a tears. That they love gambling, every one -"This," said he, "is a very remarkable morning at day-light, from spring to fall, sumuch from each of the forty-eight depart. of them being gamblers. That they are play. I don't know as you noticed it as it in the family room, to which all the family ments, each sunuch being armed with a affectionate to women and children, and are went along, but it is. The construction should repair from their chambers, and baton made by glueing together two slips fond of pets-particularly small dogs- this play and the development of the story there remain until breakfast is taken. 2. of bamboo, with the rough side outwards - almost every cunuch having one. They are the result of great research, and crudi-Let a fire be kindled in the family room a and the culprit receives from eighty to a are not by any means revengeful, but are tion, and genius, and invention—and plagishort time before sundown; let every mem- hundred blows. When the beating is extremely timid, and have a dread of others arism. When the authors wrote it they the doctor-who is also a cunuch-dresses able; will give way to bursts of rage and catastrophes and murders and such things, In both cases, the philosophy of the the wounds by rubbing in ointment, and

implicated in a similar offence, each has to stick to one another through thick and overdo it; and, in fact, when the play was flog the other in turn. This is amusing, thin. They are honest, generous, and all done, we found that we had got that for the one who flogs first does not dare charitable, as has been shown. Putting, stage-coach breaking down seven times i strike lightly, lest the chief ennuch, who is therefore, their good traits against their the first act. It was to come right along looking on, should detect it; while the bad ones, I think they will shew up favour. here every seven minutes or so, and spill al second hits hard to have satisfaction for ably with the common run of Chinese; and the passengers over on the musicians. Well space to specify particularly all the duties the beating he has just received from his when one reflects on the swful deprivation you see, that wouldn't do; it made it monopresent victim. This is called "flogging they have suffered, one is more inclined to

> Palace cunuchs are rarely dismissed, they must be incorrigible before that event takes rank to employ sunuchs.

much largest portion of their time, and as kept expressly to attend to the spiritual one receives, no matter what his rank may and parched up for want of the nourish. the young, we have introduced a game be. It is not to be supposed, however, that ment necessary to foster them. Hearing poker. There are few things that are so When a vacency occurs in the eighteen senuchs are different from other Chinese nothing from the outside world but what unpardonably neglected in our country as it is speedily filled up by selecting a sunuch in one thing-" squeezing:"-and many of is filtered through the lips of sunuchs-for poker. The upper class know very impure atmosphere nineteen-twentieths of who has either a desire to become a priest, them make large sums in various ways, all they can gather of what goes on beyond about it. Now and then you find ambassaor fancies he has a vocation that way; so such as by pretending to facilitate, or really their prison walls must come to them dors who have a sort of general knowledge As nothing can wash us clean but pure that, independent of not having been train- facilitating the business of those having through that source—what wonder is it of the game, but the ignorance of the people water, so nothing can cleanse the blood, ed to the priesthood from childhood, many audience; making them comfortable while that we hear of heart-burnings, palace in at large is fearful. Why, I have known nothing can make health-giving blood, but of them know nothing whatever pertain- waiting, by supplying them with tes, pipes, trigues, and struggles for supremacy; each clergymen, good men, kind-hearted, liberal the agency of pure air. So great is the ing to their craft when they join; some of sto., and the thousand and one other ways, one striving to be involved so that she can sincere, and all that, who did not know the tendency of the blood to become impure in them, too, can neither read nor write, and by which a true Chinaman knows how to forward her own interests or those of her meaning of a flush. It is enough to make consequence of waste and useless matters we can readily imagine the amount of "turn an honest penny." The salaries of never more to be seen relatives. And, lastly, one schamed of one's species. When our sunuchs are paid monthly, whereas other | what a life for the cunuchs ! Their post. play was finished, we found it was so long. officials draw theirs half-yearly.

supplied with a certain quantity of rice in his solitary grandeur, the ladies in their thought that was all right; we could

Itself falsify the general impression that The next "special employment" of a colony of sunuchs, who live in small houses, rare as unicorns. With this fact in front the more he out out the better the play got, night air or any other out door air is un number of etinuchs is theatricals. That called "Menial's houses" at the sides of the of us, the question naturally arises in our I never saw a play that was so much imhealthy as compared with in-door air at the the ladies of the palace may be gratified in main building in which their particular minds how about polygamy in the west? proved by being cut down; and I believe it

dwellings. Besides, how can in-door air be the Tung lo-yitan. In this, it is customary means confining him to the palace. It is customary means confining him to the palace. It is customary the first to have one performance every month. Eunuchs, taken as a whole, may be continued to have one performance every month. Eunuchs, taken as a whole, may be continued to have one performance every month. tions given in honour of officials who may are offen very handsome and feminine in within each twonty-four hours, when it is In addition to these the emperor of appearance; on seeing them one cannot potent to be in doors and win surrant often orders a particular perform. help teneving they beer a resemblance to

suicide is almost unknown amongst them, ennuchs, as a class, love mirth and gaiety Avenue Theatre, New York, of "Ah Sin, Trifling offences, such as neglect of duty, -anything conducing to amusement being the Heathen Chines," the joint production overlook many of their failings and to think them objects of pity rather than execration

and contempt. The actual salaries of common eunuchs female ones, all their nearest and dearest and we thought it well for you to see him tion must be worst of all. One is at a loss and so broad, and so deep in places the

and humanity, if possible; by compulsion, if necessary .- G. O. Stent, in Journal of the N. C. B. of Royal Asiatio Society.

resolutions: Resolved, That the present gaol be taken down till the new one is finished. | tence at the moment when earth and six with Pitte."-- 1:2:0078

"FIRST NIGHTS" AT THE PLAY, If any ennuch by reason of dislike to his is their greatest source of enjoyment; as the hunt, bravely uphold the views of the open now, and you may hear retailed the it is to capture runaway ennuche. The hear of one having committed a theft. green-room gossip than you can carry in For the sake of eliciting the observations men composing this force are not ennuchs Another good trait in their character is your head. But the biggest and most the palace; and it is rare that one of them generally carry loose cash about them to Olympus, where sit the perspiring gods: bestow in alms on those they conceive You venture an opinion here at your peril, touch of the cultured player in a scene was burnt open, and a part of his waistwhich the eye-roller had carried by sheer exertion of the attributes of Bottom's lion. A coatless god on his right surveyed the would-be judge from top to toe with that gentle scorn which bespeaks conscious superiority. "Ah," he said, "you go to the

A DRAMATIC AUTHOR CRITICISING

Vic. and see B -- . He'd make you jump!"

-Dublin University Magazine,

Thus it is, too, that what we call fever laziness, etc., are punished by the bastinado. eagerly sought after by them. That a of Bret Harte and Mark Twain, the latter squabble like women, but they are easily because they always enliven an evening so; pacified. Cases sometimes occur where but we wanted to have some disaster that they become insane when ill-treated or | wasn't hackneyed, and after a good deal of This second flogging is termed "raising stripped of their rank for some fault, but | thought we hit upon the breaking-down of s their insanity is generally of a harmless stage-coach. The worst of getting a good Sometimes, when two cuntichs have been | nature. They are very clannish and will original idea like that is the temptation to tonous for the musicians; and it was too stagey; and we had to modify it; and there isn't anything left of the original plan now except one break-down of the coach, and From the foregoing pages it may easily one carriage break-down, and one pair of be gathered that the emperor is the only runaway horses. May be we might have them. I wish to say, also, that this play intended rather for instruction than amusetives, and only at long intervals their and is going to be a great political problem,

kind as that contained in itself, and attracts old gool be simployed in constructing the new thom to be struck by lightning. This —I am, Sir, yours truly, HENRY ALLYANA. one. Resolved, That the old gool shall not flash will pass along the line of least resis. —To the Proprietors of Nonzon's Camp-

can bear the mutual tension no longer Between the acts on a first night the ap- Any accidental object may turn the scale. pearance presented by the better parts of As Mr. Preece puts it, a ship sailing calmly the house is that of a huge soirce. The over the ocean, a moving railway train, a stalls are a rendezvous for all that is horseman galloping home for shelter from fashionable and popular in art and letters. | the approaching storm, may be the least breathed by the inhabitants; as the night the other hand an emperor would invari- able. . . . Ennuchs age rapidly, looking Here in one corner is a well-known manager straw that breaks the camel's back. Everygrows colder, these vapors sink lower, and ably select pieces of an historical nature. sixty when only forty; they are like bemoaring with a favourite dramatist the one knows the celebrated experiments of dulness of the season, the pair puzzling their Franklin, by which he demonstrated the they are not breathed. As the sun rises, once so frightened at the make up and give way to ungovernable rage for what united brains for a novelty in their next identity of electricity with lightning. Frankthese same vapors are warmed and begin seting of a dramatic player, that he ordered another person would scarcely notice, and venture. Or an actor may be seen arrang. lin, when he sent up his kite, fastened a to ascend, to be breathed again, but as the the unfortunate entirch to receive twenty are as quickly pacified as they are to be- ing with an author to write up a strong part key to the string, and to the key a silk air becomes warmer, they are carried so blows for daring to startle him. This come angry. They are not by any means for him in his own particular line. In little ribbon, intended (silk being a non-conducfar above our heads as to be innocuous. mode of complimenting a player would bloodthirsty—as ennuchs are usually re- knots of threes and fours the critics are tor) to isolate him from danger. For Thus it is that the old citizens of Charle- rather astonish some of our dramatic per presented to be—but exactly the reverse, comparing notes and discussing the progress some time he was unable to perceive any ston, S. C., remember, that while it was formers, and would not have a tendency to being harmless and conciliating in manner, of the play, or gossipping with a popular appearance which would justify his theory; considered important to live in the country develop "native talent," one would imagine. as if they sought to ingratiate themselves actress over an ice cream. Visits are paid but a shower came on, the kite-string was during the summer, the common observa- These players draw the same salaries as with those stronger than they are, by con- and telegraphic signs are exchanged between wetted, and therefore became a good contion of the people originated the custom of other ennuchs, but often get a largess lessing—in their fawning demeanour—their boxes and stalls and dress oircle. ductor. Franklin, in his impatience preriding into the town, not in the cool of the bestowed on them by the emperor or own weakness and inferiority. . . They Everybody seems to know everybody else, to sented his knuckles to the key, and was evening or of the morning, but in the mid- empress when they are particularly pleased are very clannish in disposition, and will be immensely good-humoured and shaking gratified by receiving a smart shock. It always assist one another against those who hands all round. Meetings are arranged, was lucky for him that his success was not For the better management of the are not ennuchs, even to the extent of bets laid, mutual projects discussed and more complete than it proved to be, or he settled, and the whole scene is the plea- would have paid dearly for the honour of remained well, while those who did so early may be carried on systematically, it is (in Most of the eunuchs smoke opium, and santest and liveliest imaginable. No less his discovery. He thought that his kite the present dynasty) divided into forty. to enable them to indulge in this habit animated, in a more vigorous way, is the had withdrawn electricity from the thunder-All strangers at Rome are cautioned not eight departments, each one having its own without quitting the palace, seven or eight attitude of the pit. Here, of course, the cloud, whereas the discharge he witnessed to cross the Pontine marshes after the heat particular class of duties connected with it, opinm dens are opened in its precincts; this critical atmosphere is strong. A man depended on the inductive action of the of the day is over. Sixteen of a ship's and staff of sunuchs to perform those is not only a convenience for them, but for catches eight of a friend three or four rows thunder-cloud on the kite and string the orew, touching at one of the West India duties; thus, there is the department for officials who may have business in the off, and sends a lond-spoken query as to his escaped destruction, because the electricity impressions of the play. A reply comes with which his kite and its string were back which provokes a difference of opinion charged was the small amount induced on from some of the intervening benches. The them by the thunder-cloud. Philosophers question is taken up, and a lively debate who followed in his foot-steps did not follows, joined in by all within hearing dis- escape so easily. Professor Richmann, of tance who have an idea, good or bad, to St. Petersburg, was killed by lightning in eight hours, and many travelers who do it supervisor; this officer is usually of the All sunnchs gamble, and spend most of offer on the subject. Such as boast no the following year. He had erected an apparatus in the air, making a metallic communication between it and his study. where he had provided means for repeating Franklin's experiments. He was describing to his friend, Sokoloff, the nature of the apparatus, and was stooping towards the electrometer to observe the force of the electricity, when a great white and bluish fire appeared between the rod of the electrometer and his head; at the same time a sort of steam or vapour arose, which and the man who cannot support his views entirely benumbed Sokoloff and made him Eunuous are much liked by the small of a favourite West-end player by a careful fall to the ground. Several parts of the it an hour or two before sun-up, especially and may be considered detectives) spread tradesmen with whom they have any comparison of his talents with those of a spparatus were broken and scattered about, if he began that journey on a hearty meal, themselves all over the city, and speedily dealings, for, unlike other Chinese, they do Surrey or Britannia favourite finds no the doors of the room were torn from their because, in this way, he would be traveling recapture the deserter; who is then con- not care to haggle over a bargain; a seller, hearers. An amateur holding forth glibly hinges, and the house shaken in every part. in the cool of the night, which coolness veyed to a yamen appointed for the punish. or workmen, knowing their peculiarity this one night in the gallery on the peculiar The wife of the Professor, alarmed by the keeps the malaria so near the surface of the ment of eunuchs known as the Shen-heing. way, has only to say "give me what you merits of a well-known actor, happened, shock, ran into the room, and found her earth as to prevent its being breathed to a ssu, where he is tried and punished accord- please," and for a trifling job, or for goods unluckily, to touch upon a melodramatic husband sitting on a chest, which happened ing to the nature and degree of his offence. not worth half-a-dozen cash, he is sure to part which had recently been given with to be behind him when he was struck, and But if it is deadly to sleep out of doors For a first case of desertion, the culprit receive a handful; so that this class of unusual eye-rolling power by a strong- leaning against the wall. He appeared to all night in a malarial locality, would it be is imprisoned for two months; at the end people generally trust to a ennuch's lunged East-end favourite. He was dwell have been instantly struck dead; a red necessarily fatal to sleep in a house in such of that period he receives twenty blows and generosity, and invariably get the best of ling with fond minuteness on the delicate spot was found of his forehead, his shoe coat singed.

CASTING OF A LARGE GUN.

The heaviest gun ever cast in this country, with perhaps two exceptions, was successfully produced at the South Boston tron Company's works, near the Broadway bridge, South Boston, May 30, in the presence of about 150 persons, several of whom were ladies. The material used was the ordinary charcoal iron. The gun. which will be a 12-inch rifled Rodman. carrying a 700 pound conical ball, when finished is expected to measure 268 inches. or about 22 feet, in length. The diameter at the widest part will be 55 inches, and the casing will be 20 inches for a depth of 232 inches. At the muszle the outside diameter will be about 29 inches. The weight when fluished will be 89,530 Iba. and when cast was about 162,000 lbs. There was 90 tons of metal in the three furnaces. The gun is expected to be comber of the family repair to it, and there finished he is sent to the surgery, where who are not as they are irrit. thought they would put in a great lot of pleted in November. It is estimated that

the mass will cool in about 150 hours. Three large furnaces were used for the melting. The flask, which was some 20 feet long, was sunk all but about six feet into the ground, muzzle up. From the furneces were runners, a sort of fron trough or spout, lined with clay, about 8 inches wide at the top, 4 inches at the bottom, and 6 inches deep, and each about 18 or twenty feet long. These led to a sort of central tank or pool within 6 or 8 feet of the point where the flask or mould was placed. In this was an opening which led into two runners like those coming from the furnaces. and the runners carried the material from the pool to the mould. The pool was for the purpose of equalizing the consistency of the iron before it entered into the composition of the gun.

At about 4.50 the visitors were requested to preserve quiet; the word was given, and the deep red stream of molten iron was soon seen rolling through the runners with the accompaniment of great quantities of beautiful golden stars somtillating over the fiery mass. From the pool the liquid, after being thoroughly amalgamated, passed through the shorter runners and dropped to the bottom of the mould, the material rising gradually until the level of the troughs was reached. This occupied about 15 minutes, and then it became necessary to pour it in from the top, which was several feet above the troughs. This was done by filling ladies (great tubs of iron lined with clay, each holding several tons of melted iron, and swinging them by three enormous derricks around to a runner raised higher than the others, and which led to the top of the mould. The portion filled up with ladles was in addition to the length of the gun, which must be cut off some six feet. this is necessary in order to have the end perfectly solid. The gun was cast upon the Rodman principle of having the core, which is hollow, filled with water during the process of casting by means of a pipe to convey cold water to the bottom of the core, and another to carry off the water from the top when it becomes heated. This causes the cooling inside and outside to be much more uniform, and adds greatly to the strength of the gun. The casting was finally finished about 6.80 o'closs, without accident of any kind. The gun when finished will be forwarded to Sandy Hook for experiments by the United States authorities - Boston

"WELL, I declare," gasped the stricken man in a despairing voice, "one trouble follows right on the heels of another. First my wife went; an' now it's the cider."

"BERKELBY, Sept. 1869. - Gentlemen, I feel it a duty I owe to you to express my gratitude for the great benefit I have derived by taking 'Norton's Camomile Pills. the opposite kind. The earth and objects I applied to your agent Mr Bell, Berkeley, beneath an electrified cloud are in this for the above-named Pills, for wind in the manner charged by induction. When the stomach, from which I suffered excruciaattraction between the opposite kinds of ting pain for a length of time, having tried electricity becomes greater than the resis- nearly every remedy prescribed, but withtance of the intervening air, a discharge out deriving any benefit at all. After takes place. It is the secumulation of taking two bottles of your valuable Pills, I induced electricity on buildings, which offer was quite restored to my usual state of is insufficient, and that another ought to be the attraction for the opposite electricity health. Please give this publicity for the built. Resolved, That the materials of the contained in the electrified cloud, and causes benefit of those who may thus be afflicted.